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**Subject:** National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit to Kampachi Farms, LLC (Permit No. FLOA00001)

ManaSota-88, Inc. strongly recommends the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) **deny** the draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit to Kampachi Farms, LLC (Permit No. FLOA00001) and find the project **Environmentally Unsatisfactory**. The initial EPA review of the project has identified adverse environmental impacts that are of sufficient magnitude that the proposed action must not proceed as proposed.

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The value of Florida's biologically sensitive areas and endangered and threatened species should not be put at risk for floating fish farms.

We should not risk the productivity of our offshore or estuarine areas, which will ultimately prove to be more important for our future than harmful industrial fish farming.

Existing state and federal regulations do not address the significant damage fish farming has on the environment. There is no reason to believe that the EPA will protect Florida's economy and environment from the potential serious environmental damage associated with industrial fish farming.

Industrial fish farming will place Sarasota's coastal waters, an area of high environmental sensitivity and marine productivity, at risk. Presently the region supports numerous species of wildlife, major commercial and recreational fisheries and several species of endangered animals.

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